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LEGO SAFARI

SHOW

Well, that's the fun of it, it's an exhibition made completely from LEGO bricks.

There are 22 detailed models including pandas, lions, tigers, cheetahs, apes, baboons, and even ostriches and mice. Most can be animated by touch pads or sensors showing the animals in their natural surroundings. For instance, the panda sits realistically with its family surrounded by its favourite food, the bamboo shoot. Touch the sensor and he chews.



Dear Members,

What do you think of our new Safari Show?

The reality is better than the pictures because there are buttons to press on each display to make the animals move.

At the first showing in a Nottingham shopping centre, the local radio station did a live broadcast from the show which was really great with masses of people milling around. They even did a live radio interview with your President. Ah fame, fame!

If you get a chance to see the show at a shopping centre near you as it travels around the country, I am sure you would enjoy seeing these wonderfully life like models of wild animals.

There is a list of the dates and places of the next few shows on page 3.

Happy building

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The pride of lions has a lifelike male, complete with regal mane and twitching tail, who roars like a real King of the Jungle. There are three playful cubs and the lioness is lying down as though basking in the sun.

The baboons can be seen feeding or carrying their young, while one of the ostriches has his head buried in the sand.

As well as the models, there are Safari Play Pens full of LEGO

and DUPLO bricks where you can make your own models. Your imagination is the only limit at most of the venues we visit, local Radio Stations will be doing outside broadcasts from the Safari Show

with their D.J.'s running competitions and special events.

Listen to your local station, find out when they will be there.

Every Safari Show will have entry forms for the LEGO Safari Competition, it's free to enter and you could win a family trip to LEGOLAND. To enter the competition you need to answer 10 questions about the Safari Show.

You will find the answers either on the information panels with the Safari Models at the main exhibition site or by going on Safari around the shopping centre looking for the five special LEGO window displays.

Entry forms can only be collected from the Safari Show sites.

If you want to see the best LEGO models around, make sure you visit the LEGO Safari Show. There will be one near you soon.



LEGO SAFARI Show

LEGO SAFARI SHOW DETAILS:

7th to 21st July
Metro Centre, Newcastle
Supported by Metro Sound

28th July to 11th Aug.
Merryhill Centre, Dudley
Supported by Beacon Radio

18th Aug. to 1st Sept.
Broadwalk Centre, Bristol
Supported by GWR

8th to 22nd September
Princess Square, Bracknell
Supported by 210 FM

29th Sept. to 13th Oct.
Potteries Centre, Stoke
Supported by Signal Radio

Don't worry if this doesn't cover your area, the show will be touring all next year as well.

ESCAPE FROM SHARK ISLAND!

Watch out for this sign in your local LEGO stockist as it's the name for a National LEGO Competition based on the Pirate range with seven final winners each receiving a prize holiday for a family of four, to the LEGOLAND Park in Denmark, and lots and lots of runners-up winning LEGO Pirate sets.

The competition takes various forms in different shops so you need to see the entry details in a shop near you during July and August. We think you will have a lot of fun with this, so be sure to keep your eyes open - and maybe you will be one of the lucky winners. Good Luck!



NEW BASICS



In May we launched new LEGO Basic sets complete with their own storage cases. Available in two different sizes, the storage cases have detachable building plates used as lids. The cases themselves are made from strong plastic with a sturdy carrying handle, just right to carry your bricks around the house or on holiday. The storage cases are available for ages 3 plus and 5 plus.

The LEGO Basic sets are an ideal start to any LEGO collection. As children grow up they need LEGO sets that become more detailed and realistic so LEGO Basic sets are available in three different age ranges; 3 plus, 5 plus and 7 plus, all in different coloured packaging.

Prices for the new LEGO Basic sets will start from around £3.50. The large storage case in the 3 plus

and 5 plus ranges will cost around £29 and the largest 7 plus set with the special flashing light system will cost around £45.

LEGO Basic sets have been around for a long time, in fact some parents will probably remember the first ones launched in 1960, 30 years ago. In those days LEGO bricks only came in red and white, and LEGO wheels were not even invented until the mid 60's. However, we have retained the Basic idea of free creative building, inventing new bricks and special elements to keep the models up to date and challenging for you, the second generation of LEGO builders.

See the competition on page 10 for your chance to win one of the new Fire Vehicle sets with the LEGO light system.



BUILDING I D E A

Hi there! Do you like my walking centipede?

This building idea is based on a model which has been in the workshop for some time - so long, in fact no-one can remember who built it!

I have simplified the original so you don't need quite so many Technic pieces.

By turning the front "handle" the legs will "walk" - which way should you turn the handle to make the centipede "walk" forwards?

Have you got any building ideas you would like to share with other Club Members?

The models should be small and simple so

we can give the building instructions on one page.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Elaine





SUMME

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ANOTHER GREAT COL



1 Thomas Day, aged 8, obviously has his best ideas in the bath as this is where he thought of building this model.

2 Toby Mines, aged 11, obviously likes watching cartoons and based his model on his favourite characters, Sylvester and Tweety Pie.

3 Theodore Wolfe, aged 8, sent in a photograph of what he thinks dinosaurs would have looked like before they became extinct.

4 Edward Clay, aged 6, took only two days to build this model of a lifeboat. He is a keen member of Stormforce which is the junior RNLI.

5 Graeme Moran, aged 13, had the idea of building a pop group after watching Fairground Attraction on television.

6 David Jones, aged 8, built this model and wanted to show lots of colour. You certainly have done David.



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model, send it in
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LECTION OF WINNERS

7 Carl Olsen, aged 7, decided to build his model for moving cartons containing milk. These are obviously on their way to LEGOLAND.

8 James Gregory, aged 9, got his idea for his model from the film Short Circuit.

9 James Legg, aged 11, thought other Club members might like to see the model he built of a portable phone. It only took a short time to build.

10 Richie Campbell, aged 5, had help from his 7 year old brother to build a pyramid and camel for a local competition. Hope you did well boys.

11 David and Paul Turner, aged 9 and 12, made this giant LEGO man. It stands about 2 feet high, the head was built by David and the body by Paul.

12 Kay Clarke, aged 12, decided that she wanted to see something bright and fiery on her bird table. So she built a model of the Fire Flyer bird.



Well done!

RESS ... STOP PRESS ... STOP PRESS ... STOP P CLUB RALLY DAY INFORMATION



The Art of LEGO Exhibition is currently being held at:-

City of Edinburgh Art Centre
2 Market Street, Edinburgh
Tel: 031 225 2424

16th June - 14th July

And if that is too far to travel then maybe you could visit the Art of LEGO at its next venue.

The Exploratory
Bristol Old Station
Temple Meads, Bristol
Tel: 0272 252008

28th July - 28th October

Don't forget to take your membership cards with you for **FREE** entry.

Whilst every effort is made to ensure accuracy of dates and opening times, telephone confirmation should be made prior to visiting the Exhibition.



CLUB RALLY DAY AT MILTON KEYNES SUNDAY 22nd JULY

We are mounting a huge LEGO show at Central Milton Keynes Shopping Centre this summer. It runs from July 21st - August 21st daily, except Sundays. But the first Sunday, July 22nd it will be specially opened for Club Members between 10.30 and 4p.m.

The Club President and members of the model building team will be there to meet you. The Club staff will be there to answer any questions you may have.

There will be special events to take part in and we will also run a Club Shop.

Full details of the special events will be given on the day, all you need to bring is yourself and your membership card unless you are entering the Dragster Race. See opposite for details.

The exhibition is called The Great LEGO Pirate Show and includes some fantastic displays based on real-life pirates like Captain Kydd and Blackbeard.

But there is more. Another area is devoted to the World of Ships, with models like the fine sailing ship Danmark (see picture) and the great doomed liner Titanic.

TALL 'ORRIBLE OGRE

There will be an M-Tron space display, a circus ring, a huge dinosaur and our 'Orrible Ogre who stands 8 feet tall, all built from thousands upon thousands of LEGO bricks. A show not to be missed!

Entry is free, but there will be a charge of £1.25 for the big play area with huge quantities of LEGO bricks to play with. But if you come on the special Club Rally Day on July 22nd there will be no charge of course! Club Members are special!



DRAGSTER RACE

We will hold a special Dragster speed trial championship for Club Members. You are invited to build a LEGO Dragster at home to any design you like and bring it along on the day for timing.

The course will be 10 metres long and 2 metres wide and the winner will be the fastest time over the course. Each entrant may have 3 attempts with the fastest being recorded as his entry.

The Dragsters are to be built from LEGO bricks **ONLY** and may be powered by either **ONE** LEGO motor or **ONE** elastic band.

The race categories will be:

1. Under 12 years:
LEGO Battery Motor Powered.
2. Under 12 years:
Elastic Band Powered.
3. 12 years and over:
LEGO Battery Motor Powered.
4. 12 years and over:
Elastic Band Powered.

The competition will close at 3.30 p.m. to allow checking and prize presentations to be held on the day.



WORKSHOP NEWS

PORSCHE 911

Strange things happen sometimes in the Model Department. There I was just finished a major project for the latest shop-in-shop for Woolworths (watch this space for further information) when Clive Nicholls (the Club President) came into the room with an enthusiastic smile on his face. "Something's about to happen," I thought, as it usually does when Clive enters the room.

"How fast could you build a replica of a Porsche 911 out of LEGO?" he asked.

"Oh, about 2 weeks, give or take a few days."

"You've got 5 days."

So began a hectic week of first looking for a plastic kit so I could use the plans from it, then 2 days actually designing it and finally 3 long days frantically laying 2645 bricks to build the 70cm by 30cm Porsche.

This model is the latest trade advertisement that appears

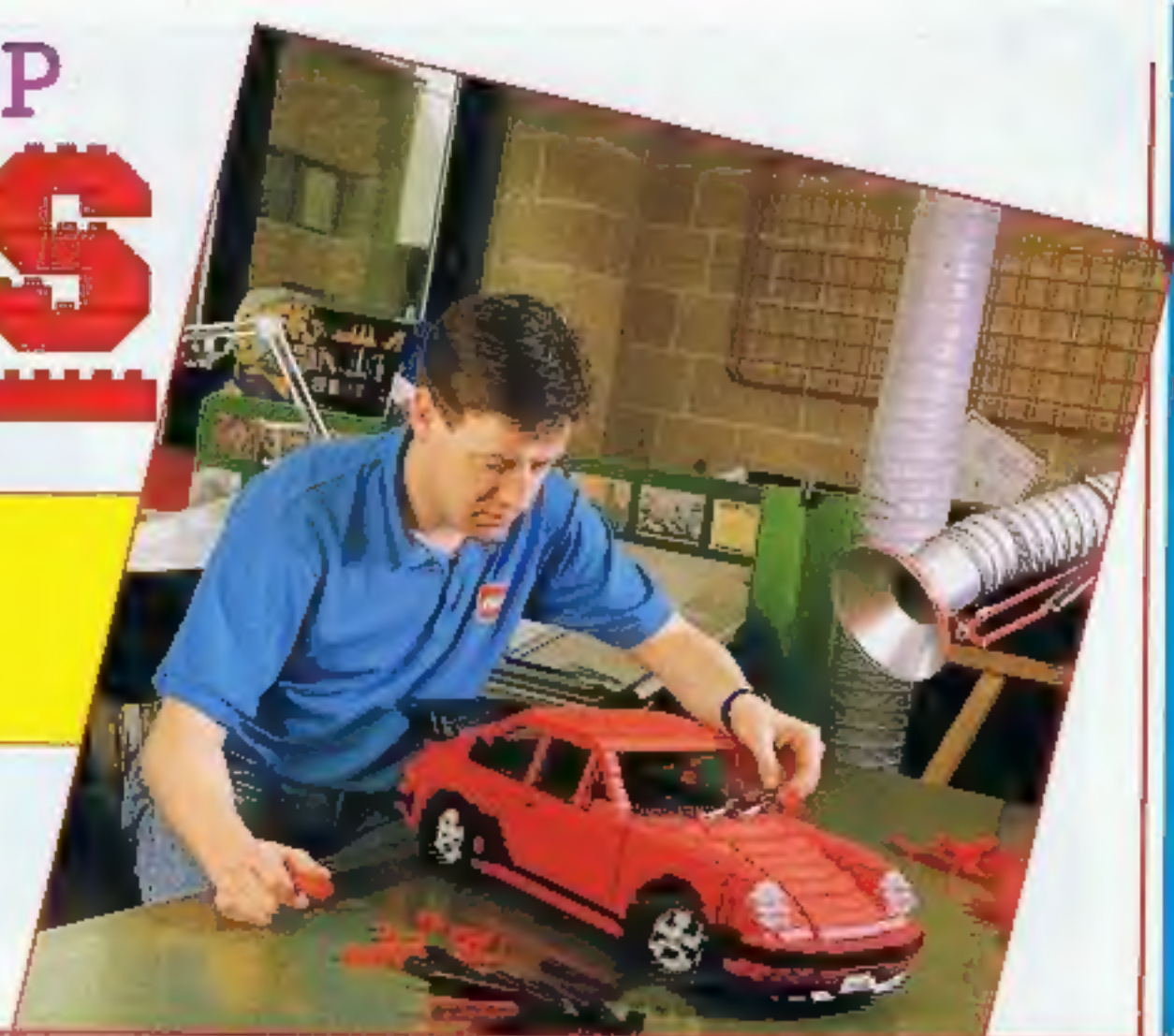
in Toy retail magazines bringing attention to the fact that LEGO was voted "Toy of the Decade" at this year's Toy Fair. The ad carries the headline "You're looking at the two favourite toys of the eighties".

Next stop the "Toy of the

Century Award" in ten years time?

Andy

P.S. Do you have a favourite car? Why not build it and send me a photograph, I'd love to see your ideas.



A pride of lions! Plus a few friends. They're off to selected Boots stores around the country. Maybe you'll be lucky enough to spot one in your area.

The number of bricks varies between models but each one took about 4 days to build.

COMPETITION Time

Solve this crossword and you could be one of 20 lucky members to win one of our super new Basic Advanced Builder Sets No. 735, with lots of bricks and electric system with battery box worth around £45 each. The set has building instructions for several complex fire fighting vehicles.

To enter our competition just find the answers to the following questions and enter them on the crossword grid. Then take the letters which are in the yellow highlighted squares and make these into a word which is connected with our wildlife crossword. When you have found the word send your name, address, membership number and the correct word to:

Competition Time, The LEGO Club,
Wrexham, Clwyd, LL13 7TQ

ACROSS

2. A GROUP OF LIONS IS CALLED A ____ (6)
3. A TYPE OF SEAL SEA ____ (4)
4. A PLACE WHERE YOU CAN VISIT AND SEE WILD ANIMALS (5)
6. SIMILAR TO AN ALLIGATOR (5)
7. A MONKEY'S FAVOURITE FRUIT (4)

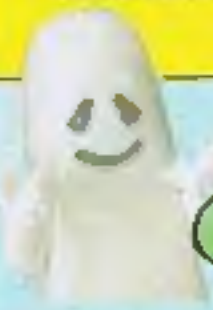
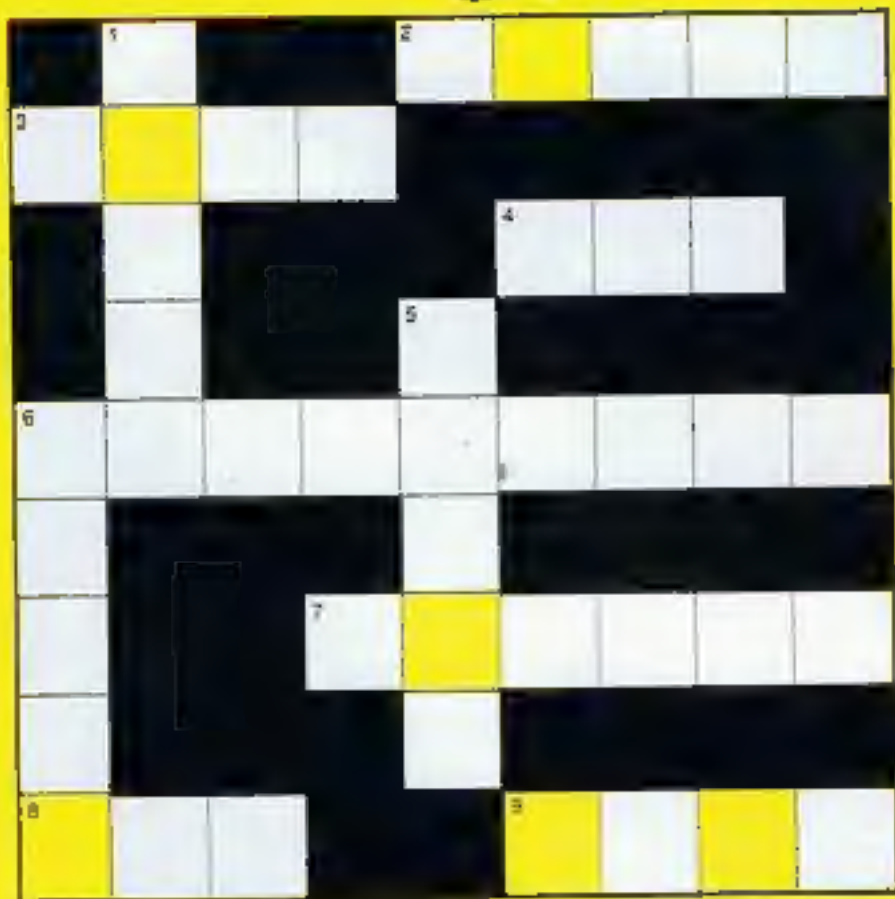
8. NOAH PUT TWO OF EVERY ANIMAL INTO AN ____ (5)
9. A SEAL'S MAIN TYPE OF FOOD IS ____ (6)

DOWN

1. A WILD CAT WITH STRIPES (5)
2. ____ BEARS (5)
6. IN WHICH COUNTRY DOES THE PANDA LIVE IN THE WILD? (5)

Competition Rules

1. The judges decision is final.
2. The first 20 correct entries pulled from our post bag after the closing date will be our winners.
3. Only one entry per member allowed. Make sure your entry arrives before 20th August.



GHOST

COMPETITION WINNERS

WE HAD HUNDREDS OF DIFFERENT NAMES SUGGESTED FOR THE GHOST. WE THOUGHT THE BEST OVERALL NAME WAS LOOMY AND THE SECOND BEST NAME WAS LEGHOUL.

HERE ARE THE LUCKY TWENTY WINNERS WHO WILL EACH RECEIVE A NEW TECHNIC CRANE SET.

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| 1. JAMES SPIRITLES, MELTON KEYNES | 11. MATTHEW LOVEDAY, WILTS |
| 2. JOHN SHANES, SURREY | 12. ALICE DODD, LEICESTER |
| 3. DAVID MORLEY, BIRKENHEAD | 13. ALEX WOOD, SHEFFIELD |
| 4. JAMES FOX, CORNWALL | 14. CHRISTOPHER HETHERINGTON, ISLE OF MAN |
| 5. DANIEL COX, NORTHANTS | 15. RHEANNON McGRATH, MIDDLESEX |
| 6. DAVID SWINFIN, LEICS | 16. ALASTAIR STEWART, PERTSHIRE |
| 7. JAMES BARDGETT, SOMERSET | 17. PHILIP DUFFY, STH GLAMORGAN |
| 8. ALEXIS SAVVA, LONDON | 18. TOM ROGERS, ESSEX |
| 9. CHRISTOPHER CHALLENGER, LANCs | 19. MARK UNDERWOOD, SUFFOLK |
| 10. ROSS BUCHANAN, FALKIRK | 20. PHYLLIS HILL, DEVON |

SPACE COMPETITION WINNERS

WE HAD THOUSANDS OF ENTRIES TO OUR SPACE COMPETITION WHICH WAS FEATURED IN OUR LAST MAGAZINE. HERE ARE THE 20 LUCKY WINNERS WHO WILL BE RECEIVING A BRAND NEW M-TRON COSMI-COPTER.

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| 1. JONATHAN HARRIS, WEST LOTHIAN | 11. KEITH GRAHAM, GO DOWN |
| 2. GARETH HUSSEY, CORNWALL | 12. CHRIS WOOD, MESSINGHAM |
| 3. ANTHONY TETSAJON, CARDIFF | 13. RICHARD BART, GLAS |
| 4. GARY DRURY, FOLKESTONE | 14. JAMES HARRIS, OXFORD |
| 5. DOMINIC ETHERIDGE, MIDDLESEX | 15. MICHAEL WILLIAMS, GWENT |
| 6. JULIAN HARRIS, DEES | 16. CHRISTOPHER SULLIVAN, BISS |
| 7. JAMES EASON-LEE, OXFON | 17. JOHN BUTLER, WEST MIDLANDS |
| 8. TIMOTHY FLEET, WEST SUSSEX | 18. EDWARD COOMES, SHEFFIELD |
| 9. OLIVER SMITH, CLEVELAND | 19. DANIEL LAMBERT, NORTH YORKS |
| 10. NEIL BEAUMONT, LONDON | 20. DAVID MAUND, MEGRAM |



BIRTHDAY SURPRISES

Kevin Lappers from Oxford had an unusual birthday cake when his mum decided to decorate it as a LEGO man. Kevin was thrilled to receive his birthday surprise and asked Mum to take a photograph and send it to the LEGO Club. Well we've decided to publish it and hope it will give other club members ideas.

Benjamin Robbins from Nuneaton celebrated his birthday with a Pirate party and sent in a photograph to show us and other Club members the special LEGO pirate cake his mum decorated. Benjamin dressed up in Pirate clothes and obviously had great fun with his LEGO pirate Dark Shark model.



JOKERS Corner

Q. What did the first biscuit say when the second biscuit got run over by a bus?

A. Crumbs!
Seven Taylor, Alfrincham, Cheshire

Q. What's black and white and swings from tree to tree?

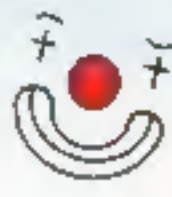
A. Tarzan's cool man!

Q. What's a cat's favourite T.V. show?

A. Mews at Ten!
Brian Moss, Co Londonderry, N Ireland

Q. Where do fish keep their money?

A. In the river bank!
Jonathan Harvey, Tiverton, Devon



clubshop

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e have had so many requests for a LEGO Club T-Shirt with a Club logo on, so we asked our designers to come up with some new ideas. The one we liked has the LEGO Club Logo and all the colours of LEGO bricks. We have decided to change from the white T-Shirt to sky blue. We do hope you will like it.

The sizes range from 26" to 32" and the price is **£2.95**. Please order on the Club Shop order form.



CLUB SHOP

11923	NEW LEGO PIRATE KEYRING	90p
11918	NEW MTRON PATCH	30p
11925	NEW PIRATE STICKERS	20p
11920	LEGO CLUB BADGE	35p
11938	NEW RED LEGO CLUB CAP	£2.00
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11730	NEW LEGO CLUB T-SHIRT 30"	£2.95
11732	NEW LEGO CLUB T-SHIRT 32"	£2.95
	POSTAGE AND PACKING	45p

ORDER FORM

ITEM NUMBER	QUANTITY	PRICE PER QUANTITY	TOTAL PRICE
11923		90p	
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11726		£2.95	
11728		£2.95	
11730		£2.95	
11732		£2.95	
POSTAGE & PACKAGING			45p
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THE LEGO CLUB
Club Shop, Wrexham,
Clwyd LL13 7TQ

Cheque/Postal Order should be made payable to LEGO UK LIMITED
Please allow 28 days for delivery.



INSIDE NEWS FROM THE LEGOLAND® park

Staff at the LEGOLAND Park in Denmark have been working hard all winter to improve facilities in the Park before they opened to the public in May.

They have been making a lot of changes behind the scenes with larger kitchens and more workshops to service the inside of the Park that we see.

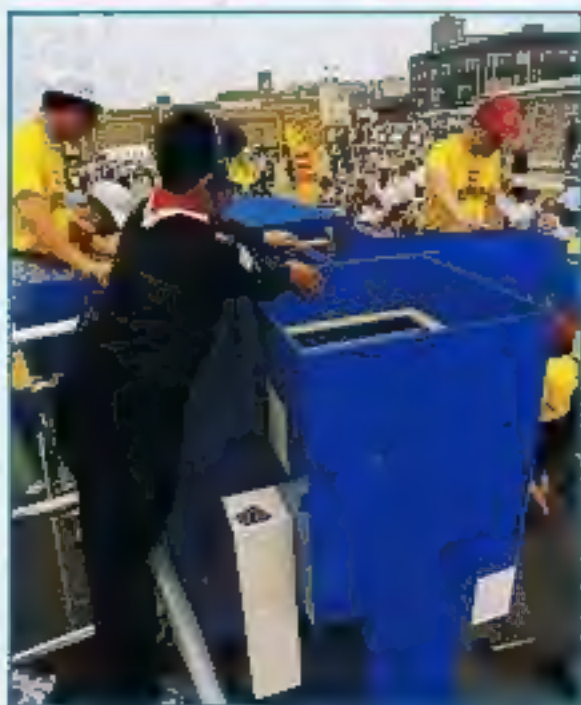
LEGOREDO Town has a new bakery serving old fashioned waffles. The Mine Train Ride has been improved with more special effects, and a large new picnic area with a lake and an island has been created.

An entirely new scene has been created in Miniland with three famous German Castles surrounded by half timbered houses and castles. Sababurg, one of the castles, is claimed to be the famous castle of "Sleeping Beauty" from the Grimm Brothers Fairy Tales.

On the indoor side, a brand new LEGO World Show called Funfairs can be seen, and a "Data Centre".

Data is the name given to special LEGO sets some of you may use in school and the new centre allows you to have a go with the computer controlled models.

If you are lucky enough to be visiting the Park this summer why not write and tell us which part of your visit you enjoyed most.



Volunteers from our Wrexham offices gave up their Bank Holiday to build a huge LEGO elephant in Rhyl as part of HTV's Telethon spectacular.

Lots of local LEGO builders came along to help us build the special sections which Gareth had designed to make the elephant. The building took just over 4 1/2 hours and used approximately 120,000 2 x 4 stud LEGO bricks. When he was finished, 'Elethon' stood just over 8 feet tall.

We were collecting for Telethon all day and raised £500 in donations from the people helping us build and a £1,000 donation from LEGO UK Ltd.

We'll be building the elephant again on Club Rally Day in Milton Keynes. I wonder how quickly LEGO Club Members can build our elephant?

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